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HOLIDAY CLOTHING.



HOLIDAY CLOTHING is what you want now, and we've got it. You need a holiday suit to-day, unless you enjoy chills. When the mercury is wobbling all around the point of 30° below zero and downward you can't provide yourself with this outside source of comfort too quickly. You must be warm and sprucely dressed to be good natured at Christmas. How about overcoats? You can't pass Christmas without an overcoat, either cloth or fur. See our big window, full of grand bargains for the holiday trade. A grand overcoat, same as above cut, of heavy material and well made, for \$5.25; genuine S. S. Seal Caps for \$7.50; 12 pair heavy Wool Sox for \$1. Just received from New York a case of Elbirevir Ties, the latest thing in the market. What is nicer for a present for George, Tom, or Willie than a Fur Cap, Silk Tie, or Handkerchief? We have thousands of them, and so cheap! A few of those elegant Cashmere Slumber Robes yet. Wives, get them for your husbands.

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The Palace Clothing and Fur Store of Manitoba.

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We have paid special attention this year in selecting our

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Quality and Prices has been our special aim we have therefore purchased from Leading Eastern Houses the Best Assortment

IRON AND MECHANICAL TOYS

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In Our New Store

we are showing great varieties in

Plush, Silver, Oxidized and Celluloid Goods, Dolls, Toys, Games, Puzzles, Sleighs &c.

You are losing a good investment if you don't buy your

CHRISTMAS GOODS

AT

Van Buskirk's,
NEW BOOKSTORE,

Corner 9th Street and Rosser.

Alexander's First Wedding.

Thursday morning was the occasion of a very pleasant gathering at the residence of Mr. John Lawson, his only remaining daughter, his being on that day married to Mr. James Foreman, one of our enterprising village merchants, by the Rev. Mr. Warner, Methodist minister. Miss Lawson, who was attired in travelling costume preparatory to departing on the east-bound express for the honeymoon, was assisted through the ceremony by Miss Minnie Bunting, who was dressed in blue silk; while the groom was similarly assisted by Mr. Wm. Watt. Mrs. Foreman was the recipient of many presents. The knot having been duly tied and the wedding breakfast partaken of, the happy couple started to drive to Brandon, as the express was cancelled that day, amid the good wishes of both their friends and the community in general. We believe this to be the first wedding within the village of Alexander, and it was exactly one year from the day Miss Lawson landed in Alexander to reside, near her sisters, Mrs. Acton, Mrs. Bunting, Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Steele.

Minnedosa.

Mr. Robt. Allen gives an entertainment here to-night. Mr. T. A. Cuddy is expected back from Galt next week. All the Sunday schools are giving Christmas cards of good cheer. The majority of the children are busy preparing themselves for them. The majority contest is between Mr. S. Fairbairn and Mr. A. W. Shaw, both competent men. A close vote is expected. The bachelors are giving a ball on Tuesday night, which promises to be well attended. Nearly two hundred invitations were issued. Several of our citizens are going east for the winter, including Mrs. Patton, Miss Kate McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Jermyn, Mrs. Hector Kelly, Mrs. Donald Kippen, Mr. Alf. Ayers, Mr. R. W. Burton and Mr. Ashton Burton and many others. Some have gone already. Christmas week is here and with it the usual number of entertainments, social gatherings and general rejoicings. Our stores and shops present most fairy-like and enchanting scenes. The stock of toys, Christmas goods, etc., is enough to turn the heads of the children, and excite their nightly dreams of Santa Claus coming down the chimney.

Gladstone.

Gladstone, Dec. 29.—Very much sympathy is felt for Mr. Logie who has lost another child through scarlet fever. Three more of his children have the same disease. Dr. McFadden, of Neepawa, was called in for consultation, so that everything being done that medical skill and good nursing can do. The Christmas entertainment that was to have been held in the Presbyterian church has been indefinitely postponed owing to the sickness and out of sympathy for the family, who are members of the Scotch school.

A good deal of wheat comes in, notwithstanding the low price. Notes falling due compel the farmers to avail themselves.

Yesterday's elections were very quiet. Few of the old members were defeated, namely Wolfe and Fehrm. The latter has been a councillor since the incorporation of the town. It is said that the liquor element has worked very hard to beat the temperance party and have partly succeeded.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan, the well known gospel temperance workers, are here. They held a meeting in the Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon. This week they will visit Golden. Strain and try to create a little more enthusiasm amongst the temperance people there. Afterwards it is probable they will go to Richmond and endeavor to start a lodge there.

BROADVIEW.

Wm. Davidson lately shipped 125 fine sheep to Brandon market.

The Foresters' annual ball and supper is to come off Jan. 20.

Mr. Holsworth, of Moose Jaw, shot two fine deer in the Wood Hills lately.

Mr. Graham, C. P. R. foreman, has moved his family to town from Wodeley.

Mr. W. W. McDonald, M.P., paid us a friendly visit last week, and was received.

Wheat at 45 cents is too small a price for Broadview grain, which is the best in the west.

Constable Grey has been transferred to Qu'Appelle station. We are sorry to lose him.

A. Clomontson has been appointed postmaster in the place of Robert Patterson, who has left the country.

The programme of the concert which is to come off at the Presbyterian Church next and no doubt be a good one.

The new Presbyterian Church is progressing towards completion very slowly.

Miss Bray, our efficient school teacher, is to be retained by the trustees for another year. This makes the fifth year for Miss Bray in the Broadview school.

Miss Sparks will for her ability as a teacher.

James Slavin, alias James McMahon, who was executed at Cornwall, Ont., on the 16th inst. for the murder of Capt. Darcy, was known here as the same McMahon who attempted suicide at the station in February, 1888; and if it had not been for the careful attention of Dr. Hutchinson, McMahon would then have ended his existence.

The Queen's Dinner.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The steer from which the baron of beef for the Queen's Christmas table will be served was slaughtered to-day at Osborne with quaint ceremonies that have attended the event through many reigns. Prior to being led to the slaughter the animal's neck was garlanded and its horns festooned with roses. The animal had been in training for the sacrifice since July last. It is calculated that the baron of beef after being reduced by cooking will weigh in the neighborhood of 75 pounds. The Christmas pudding, the preparation of the ingredients of which is a day occupying the time of six days of the royal kitchen, will weigh 100 pounds. It will be carried into the dining hall on a golden platter resting upon a bed of holly by four gentlemen in waiting. The Queen has made the usual Christmas presentation of sums of money to the servants of the royal household. Her Majesty had invited the ex-Empress Eugenie to spend the Christmas holidays at the castle, but owing to a temporary attack of indisposition Napoleon's widow was compelled to decline.

Gladstone's Rocky Path.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—With regard to human nature there is a growing feeling among Irish members of both sections that the bill will be a disappointment. Justin McCarthy went out of his way last week to show that he, and presumably the seventy members of whom he is the leader, are in perfect accord with the Parliament as to what the bill ought to be. He would not have taken this course if it had not been found necessary to convey a treat to certain Liberal leaders whose rumor credits with opposition to the broad views of Gladstone and Morley. There are sinister rumors circulating about a difference of opinion in the cabinet on the subject of the home rule bill. Lord Rosebery's name is freely mentioned as a discontented colleague, very much inclined to kick over the traces. It will be remembered that this nobleman's entrance into the government was regarded with any lingering satisfaction by the radical elements of the Liberal party. He is known to have very conservative opinions, and as his marriage with one of the Rothschilds made him a very wealthy man, he cannot be said to play an independent part. The Tories look on him as the most capable of leading a revolt against Gladstone, and expect him to do so. The result is that Lord Rosebery occupies a position of no mean advantage, and that in his power to make things very uncomfortable for his colleagues should he resign his seat in the cabinet. In course of a different opinion with the other members of the cabinet, it would be a very serious matter if it were to stand out so boldly on its feet. Therefore, to estimate it is that it must draw upon him a heavy weight which will make the approval of the Scotch Lord rather than the wants and wishes of the Irish people.

Raise More Poultry.

Why does Manitoba not produce more poultry? Surely we should have enough poultry to supply our own requirement; but we do not by a long way. The season of heavy demand for poultry is now on, and the local supply is, as usual, so short that dealers are obliged to import dressed poultry by the car lot from western Canada. Poultry in car lots is not arriving to supply the Winnipeg market, and even the market in smaller country towns, which should receive a sufficient supply from their immediate vicinity, have to look to outside sources to meet the demand. Manitoba should have abundance of poultry raised at home, not only to meet local requirements, but also to ship outside the province. In addition to the large quantity brought in from the east to supply the deficiency in the local demand, many car lots from Ontario pass through to British Columbia. This demand should be filled from Manitoba, besides supplying our local markets.

What is here about a farm which will pay better than poultry? Not a cutting of wheat, with a price in the neighborhood of 45 cents, but a very large profit in raising the birds for market. The poultry about a farm simply utilize what is going to waste, if they are handled properly and marketed at the proper time. About every farm there is more or less waste grain. This will fatten the poultry and bring in a handsome profit from what would otherwise be a total loss. It will cost but little to provide a warm place for winter and feed a few stock birds over that season. The old hen of the farm may be made to pay for herself and give a vast increase in the sale. Poultry brings in a large amount of money of itself, and costs less to produce than any other article of food.

Present winter prices for the Winnipeg market, which are much lower than in the summer and fall, are so low that it is impossible to raise a satisfactory quantity of poultry.

Mr. Davis, a Winnipeg dealer, says that he had some difficulty in getting the thing through and that he had to sell his stock at a loss. He was kept from supplying all the time to meet his requirements, notwithstanding the high prices.

For about five months of the year the trade in live birds, and the business of the time, is a steady one. When the cold weather sets in, and the dressed stock are brought in from Ontario, and consequently prices are lower, though they are still high enough to leave a handsome profit for those who have good native birds to sell—C. M. McNeill.

"Clear Havana Cigars."

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CUT TO PIECES.

--- Wholesale Cost Drops out of Sight. ---

Slaughtering Sale of Furs, Clothing, Carpets and General Dry Goods.

This is nothing but a downfall of prices to reduce our enormous stock of above goods. Goods must go, a genuine clearing sale. A grand opportunity for the public. Fur Boas, Fur Coats, Fur Caps, Fur Mitts, Fur Collars, Fur Collars, Fur Capes, Fur Muffs, Mantles and Mantle Cloths, Blankets, Comforters and Carpets at almost your own price. This could be another sale long to be remembered for great bargains of seasonal goods. This will be a great loss to us, but first loss the best, unfortunately we are overstocked and will not carry the goods over if sacrificing in prices will sell them.

Remember the Place, the Big Clearing Sale Sign.

THE LEADING HOUSE,

I. R. Strome & Co.

P.S.—Furnished house to rent.

NO MONKEYING WITH PRICES.

We do not mark goods up in order to cut prices in two, but for the balance of this season will offer all our Fur Coats, Fur Collars and Cuffs Cloth Overcoats, Felt Jackets, Flannel Shirts, Underwear and Socks AT ACTUAL COST PRICE.

Just Arrived.

One case new Ties and Silk Handkerchiefs for Xmas trade **VERY NICE GOODS.**

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HATTER AND FURRIER,

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DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF FRESH AND CURED MEATS.

FISH, POULTRY and GAME in the SEASON.

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BLAINE'S END NEAR.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—It is a common saying that a man's end is near who says so. It is said so by a man who is not a politician. Last night he said so in a speech that was a masterpiece of logic and wit.

ROWE SHOT CASHMILL.

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 18.—The preliminary hearing before the police magistrate in the case of Rowe for the murder of Cashmill occupied all day. Mrs. Cashmill, the wife of the deceased, told the jury that she was the first time she knew of the shooting. She was present when her husband was shot by a gun in the hands of Rowe. Cashmill was drunk and quarrelsome and was trying to enter the house and his wife and Rowe opposed. Finally he burst in the door, breaking the lock, and a gun was discharged the same instant. Rowe said he and Rowe were afraid to let Cashmill in, but that the shot was accidental. The police magistrate said that the shooting was accidental.

IRISH CONVICTS LIBERATED.

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1892, "The Cream of the Havana Crop."

"La Coloma" and "La Fina" brands of cigars are undoubtedly superior to any and considerably lower in price than any brand imported. For good smokers will not admit to this. The connoisseur knows it. S. Davis.

Captain Williams, of the Crescent Athletic club, New York, late last night, said he had heard from his club, and that they would offer \$30,000 for McAuliffe and Burke to fight for.

From Minneapolis we hear that the first of the series of three races between Heral Hagen, of Norway, and Hugh McCormick, of New Brunswick, for the world's championship and \$1,000 took place recently. Hagen won by about 40 feet. The race was three miles and the track four and a half laps to the mile. Hagen's time was 9 min., 47 sec.,

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Joe Goddard, the prize fighter, yesterday deposited with the sporting editor of a local paper \$31,500 forfeit money as an evidence of his desire to fight Jim Corbett. Goddard declares he will fight for \$5,000 or \$10,000, as Corbett may elect, and the fight can take place in any large city in the U. S. In the event of Corbett refusing the challenge, Goddard says he will claim the championship of the world and then look to Carole Mitchell for a fight.

A unique feature of a recent Texas ball game was the presence of a woman ball player, who displayed great skill in catching the steep-pointed flags, and great agility in getting out of the way of the militant animals. Not exactly a woman's occupation this, but scarcely more manly than looking on while the bandits are being gored to death, and the wounded butes are gored and torn by the equipped, as gentle Spanish ladies are doing in pastime times in all the countries.

Sing Sing, Dec. 19.—Fred McGuire was sentenced this morning for the murder of Miss Gregory. The first current was turned on at 10:50 and lasted for 50 seconds. The current was turned on again at 11:11 for two seconds. The first shock killed the victim and the second was only turned on as a precautionary measure. The body was not scorched. McGuire died penitent. The execution was pronounced the most successful that ever took place at Sing Sing. The smell of burning flesh was not noticeable.

Eighteen convicts at Apperson's command, Hiram, Mont., were suddenly taken at last week. They belong to a gang of 110 who came here a short time ago to work on the railroad. Their appearance caused much excitement among the free folk, composed mostly of negroes who peopled the country just before the war. One of the 18 who were sent, I understand, in a few hours and three are reported to die. They show all the symptoms of arrested pneumonia, and are so ill, indeed, that their faces have been covered up by some negro who told his gang to throw them

Dogorski took the stomachs of the dead men to a chemist to be analyzed.

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and LIVERPOOL, O. Dec. 21.—A large number of men and partially uneducated persons, residing in the vicinity of some of the mines, from New Mexico and New York, have been imported to take the place of the strikers in the bituminous coal mines of this and other States. Recently the men have been complaining of aches and pains in their backs, legs and arms, and many of them are suffering with the flu. The trouble was traced to the water kept for drinking purposes in barrels about the works. Although no chemical analysis of the water has yet been made an investigation in the town where the drinking water was used by the workmen had been made, which revealed the fact that the water was contaminated with a lead solution.

Pratt, page 21.—Edward G. Criss, the first single-toed cowboy, says he learned at the prize-fight, Colorado Springs, Colorado: "After as we were asked to learn, the number of men who died from the effects of the disease received number thirty-two, and with workmen, some of whom, at the close of the trial are dying in numbers." Criss says that the first estimate of the men who died from the disease was received from every part of the country within by him and his partner, who became sick of the prevailing disease in Houston and went to their homes. Many are yet sick and are being treated. There were 3,000 men employed by the Texas and Pacific railroad during the outbreak and more than 2,000 men have died. Some died and many are for weeks on the verge of the grave.

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Why did we invest in so many toys? Had we known the Chicago Store was going to carry the line we would have gone light on it!"

This is what some of the other merchants are saying.

It is impossible for the Chicago Store, with all their Pills and Patent Medicines, to keep their Toys, Fancy Goods, etc., from

under the heavy purchases of the jolly Christmas crowd who throng their Store and take advantage of the Low Prices.

If you wish to see business
done, go to the

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Every Article

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ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES

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Worth of Rich, Rare and Valuable Furs.

Ladies'	Alaska Sable	Shoulder	Capes	from	\$40
"	Greenland Seal	"	"	"	25
"	Beaver	"	"	"	35
"	Astrachan	"	"	"	20
"	Natural Oppossum	"	"	"	15
"	Plucked Otter	"	"	"	50
"	Grey Lamb	"	"	"	18
"	Lynx	"	"	"	25
"	Black Oppossum	"	"	"	15
"	Storm Collars in all of the above	with	Muffs		
	to match.				
"	Caps in South Sea Seal and Lamb.				
"	Circulars Fur lined from			\$35.	
"	Gauntlets in Seal, Persian Lamb, Badger,				
	Beaver and Otter.				

Children's Goods a large stock of Caps, Gauntlets,
Jackets and Storm Collars.

Collars and Cuffs in Beaver, Otter, Astrachan and Persian Lamb from \$50
 Ecu's Fur Coats in Kangaroo, Raccoon, Persian Lamb and Beaver.
 " Fur Lined, 4 Handsome Ones, from \$100.
 " Gauntlets in South Sea Seal, Otter, Mink, Beaver, Persian Lamb and Neutria.
 " Moccasins in Black Buckskin and Smoke Yellow.

Grey and Black Goat, Black, Brown, Grizzly and Cinnamon ear, Badger, Russian Lamb, Musk Ox and Tiger.

This stock Must Be Sold without regard to Cost or Value. A rare chance to procure Christmas Goods.

**GOODS WILL BE SOLD AT PRIVATE SALE
FROM 9 A. M, UNTIL 6 P. M.**

Auction Sales EVERY EVENING Commencing at Half Past Seven.

All Goods Warranted to be as represented and where buyers become dissatisfied the goods will be taken back and the money refunded.

LADIES CORDIALLY INVITED TO INSPECT STOCK EVERY AFTERNOON.

W. H. HOOPER, Auctioneer.

Real Estate and Commission.

DISGRACED DEPUTIES. — **Pipe Smokers.** — You may be satisfied with the brands of tobacco you have been using for years. Grant it: That you are satisfied. As there is always room for improvement, weak you to try our OTHER PIPE, our cut-smoking tobacco, and see for yourself. — **IT LEADS THEM ALL.** — **Excelsior Marble Works,** — **James Thompson.**

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NONE OTHER GENUINE.
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Lafayette Hotel, New York City.

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Mr. O. returned last week from Liverpool.

Mr. H. J. Skinner spent a few days in Winnipeg last week.

We are to have, it is said, four-foot ball clubs this winter.

Mr. A. B. Irwin left for the south to spend his Christmas holiday.

Mr. H. E. Henderson left last week to visit his relatives and friends in his old home, Belleville, Ont.

Mr. P. J. Flanagan, of the Thompson House, O.A. Lake, paid a visit to the city on Tuesday last.

Inspector McLean, who has been in the city during the past few days, has returned to Killarney.

Mr. Pauliney Smith, brother of Mr. Leeson Smith, left for England on Wednesday morning last.

Mr. H. Hooper, of Manitoba College, returned home last week, owing to the serious illness of his mother.

Miss Fanny Heston, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Macdonald, left last week for Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Douglas intend leaving shortly for the Old Country, where they will spend three or four months.

A CLERK WANTED AT "THE MAIL." Book Store, want a reliable grown man or a young lady. Apply at the store.

Mr. Henry Cotton, of Boissevain, paid the city a first last week, renewing his acquaintance with many old friends.

Mr. Warner and family were very nearly asphyxiated on Tuesday morning last. The gas from the coal stove escaping from the coal stove was the cause of the trouble.

The Captain and Lieutenant of the local Salvation corps are, we are sorry to say, going to leave. They will hold a farewell meeting in the barracks on Monday, Jan. 2d.

Mr. A. B. Stuart, a student of the Medical College, Winnipeg, has been paying a visit to his father, Mr. Stewart, of the firm of Stewart & Grant, merchants, of this city.

The windows of Montgomery & Co. are well worth a visit. They are most artistically arranged, and anyone looking at them will feel greatly inclined to enter the store and purchase.

Mr. J. A. Christie returned yesterday from his trip east. He says that business was lively in Toronto, and that in Chicago things were booming. Miss Christie is recovering fast, but will not return to the city for a couple of months.

Mr. Robert Dastan, a Councillor and assistant mayor of the Municipality of Day, was in the city last week. He gives in for mixed farming, raising a large number of hogs. A load of these he brought in and sold for \$210, quite a nice little addition when wheat stands at 45 cents for No. 1 hard.

The annual business meeting of the Women's Hospital Aid Society will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The election of officers and important changes in the constitution is the business to be transacted. All ladies interested in the Hospital are cordially invited to attend and become subscribers.

Bienvenueites ought to feel proud of the provisions that the hotel proprietors donated for Christmas. The guests of the hotel can see that the Municipality is expending a great deal of money in the generosity of "thine host." As regards to ourselves, as we took our dinner at The Palace, we still are of opinion that it was second to none in the city.

The chief of Police, who has been for some time on the lookout for the man who stole a coat from J. T. Sumerville's store, was successful yesterday by finding him in the city at 1 o'clock. On being questioned, he admitted he purchased the coat from a man named Jim Stewart. Stewart is now in the cells, and will appear before Police Magistrate Todd to-morrow morning.

Last Wednesday the members of the Brandon Ice Club arranged for an afternoon's sport at their ice track on the Assiniboine river. Horses that have been spending the winter on the ice and other streets in the city were taken down, and some very good races took place. Prizes of different amounts were given for the three events, free for all, three minutes and named races. Free for all: 1st, Whitt's Little Gem; 2nd, G. Murdoch's Methodist; 3rd, E. Acre's say. Free for all, three minutes: 1st, J. McGregor's Tommy Bonth; 2nd, A. Edmond's Billy Saloon; 3rd, D. Smith's Johnny; 4th, W. C. Card's Red Hot. Named race: 1st, Noron's Brownbreast; 2nd, Willie's Birdie; 3rd, Kennedy's Little Cub.

A feeling of the deepest regret swept over the city on Tuesday morning last when the news spread that Mrs. H. H. Douglas had died of cholera. The deceased was stricken with a fever some two months ago, and never recovered. At times her condition appeared to improve, but in a few hours a change for the worse would set in, and so on, for all but her friends sat between hope and despair, till the end came. The deceased lady was a fervent with her appearance, and in her general nature and her own disposition. She was a good parent and a beloved wife and mother. Her loss at any time would be severe, but especially so at the present time, as one of the other members of the family is laid with other diseases. It is needless to say the deepest sympathy of our community is extended to the bereaved family. Their friends will be interested to hear the story of Mrs. Douglas, Smith & Taylor, and their friends, taking care of the funeral.

Will those of our readers who want to purchase presents in and of the following line, please remember: all other dealers are doubtfully disintegrated at the Mail Book Store? The lines are: Cards, Plush Goods, Books, Bells, General Toys and Fancy Groceries. We want the cash, and goods are going at cost to get it, till 1st January. Please remember, this is genuine.

POLICE MINISTER Todd disposed of two cases on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Linday, of Grimswood, spent a few days in the city last week.

Mr. J. F. Froehly, of Ekhnem, who had been visiting in the city, left last week for Hamilton, Ont.

Mr. Arthur Fleming, who has been on an extended trip through Ontario and the Eastern States, returned home last week.

Miss Doupe left on Friday for her home in England. Miss Doupe, a teacher of French and German in the College here.

Mr. Delmage, assistant inspector of the Merchant's Bank, who has been in Brandon for the last three months left for Montreal last week.

The Collegiate Institute and public schools will open on Wednesday, the 4th inst. Special attention will be paid to the work for teachers' certificates.

The services held in St. Matthew's Church last Sunday were conducted by the Rev. Canon G.M. Macdonald, of Joliffe. The decorations are as usual, very pretty.

The very cold weather we have had lately has made it most difficult to run the trains on time. The train from Toronto due here Monday night, did not arrive till Tuesday morning.

The Hospital management acknowledge with thanks, the following donations—R. Mercer, Esq., \$25; B. H. Mackenzie, Esq., \$12.60, and the Board of Directors of Oakville, \$75.

Mr. White, the editor of the Sun, was so sorry to hear, caught in the machinery of the office while running off the weekly edition of the paper last Wednesday evening. He received a considerable shaking.

The Methodist Church and Sunday School is beautifully decorated. On Monday last the Sunday school scholars heard their annual Christmas entertainment. It was, as before, one of the most successful ever held by them.

Mr. Thomas Green, a well-known citizen of Brandon, who is a thorough expert of horsemanship, is one of those fellows who not only works in that direction but always advancing. Mr. Green has, we hear, lately invented a machine for drying wheat, which is being built up by Laird, Green & Co.; and, should it prove satisfactory, the inventor will have it patented.

In this flat country, any diversification of the level monotonous of the prairie is a pleasure; and we look with delight upon a break in the scenery that relieves the eye from this peculiarity of Manitoba. One person who has had a new natural phenomenon does not deserve the gratitude of this community at large. With the greatest pleasure the fact is recorded that the Editor of "THE MAIL" was the fortunate and happy discoverer of an additional Clifton Friday morning last, Dec. 3rd; and that Mrs. Clifton and her new arrival are progressing most favorably.

BIRTH.

LIFE.—On Friday, 23rd inst., the wife of C. Clifton, of "THE MAIL," of a son.

DEATH.

BRONCH.—On Tuesday, Dec. 27th, at Brandon, Henrietta Ann Lee, beloved wife of W. H. Hooper, and third daughter of the late David Robson, M.P., of Lapp Sea, Ont., aged 46 years.

Notice to Debtors.

DURING the week, our Secretary Treasurer sent out accounts to all debtors for "THE MAIL." Now, we want something more than to hear in our expression of case notices will be acted on. There are thousands of dollars owed us in this way, and we are going to have every cent that is collectable. The amounts of the several parties in arrears are insignificant, but the total, to us, is enormous, and are unable to be out of our hands. Prompt attention to this will save debtors in money. "THE MAIL" Co.

AT COST.

We now offer the advance of our holiday goods at absolute cost. It consists of fine goods, toys, games, toy books, puzzles, etc., at the following prices:—

Our Annual.....	\$2.00
Ten Little Tales.....	2.00
Four Hours.....	.75
At Home.....	.75
Young English.....	.75
Illustrated News.....	.50
Amphibian.....	.45
Amphibian Illustrated.....	.40
Little Tids.....	.40

Other books in proportion. Now is the time for cheap presents.

Christmas Day at the Hospital.

On this festive day we did our best to give pleasure to a visit to the Hospital, and noted the very beautiful decorations of the happy summer in which the patients spent their Christmas. On entering we saw at once that much time and thoughtful care had been given to the decorations, making it very comfortable and full of the joys of the world and halls were very pretty and evergreen and flowers, interspersed with appropriate notices. In fact, everything reflected credit on those having charge of the institution. All the patients who were able to be up were in the hospital's sports, enjoying music, games and other amusements. Tables were set in the hall for dinner, where all those whose condition permitted it partook of a delicious repast. After making this note it came to the conclusion that when we were in an abode of pain and illness, kind hearts and willing hands turned it into a place of joy and amusement.

CRIMINAL LIBEL.

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—The World came to view as article with flaming headlines particularly clearing the Mayor Fleming in connection with the case of the man for 700 more or less. He was authorized to keep the proceeds. During the afternoon proceedings were instituted against the proprietor of the paper, J. McLean, M.P., for criminal libel. McLean is supporting Sheppard, Fleming's opponent for the mayoralty.

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for all his millions, not even penny goes
to his own family, nor even a beg-
gary legacy to an old servant. "If there
is another world," says the St. Paul
Globe, "he means to start in it as he
started in this—without credit, capital,
or prestige." He asks no favors of Heaven,
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